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In re the Application of:

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For: IMPACT ABSORBING TYPE STEERING COLUMN APPARATUS
FOR AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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